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## In the Claims:

The claims are not amended in this response. Claims 4 and 5 are canceled.

(previously presented) A manufacturing status indicating system, comprising a host system for turning data to database and for placing the data under control and storing data, said data being related to ordered products as inputted by an order receiving control system, a manufacture control system, and a process control system; and

a server for preparing pages to indicate information to be offered to a purchaser based on said database,

wherein at least one of said pages includes an option to select a visual image of a visual inspection made at a precompletion stage of manufacturing, of at least one of said ordered products selected, for providing the purchaser the ability to examine the at least one inspected product.

(original) A manufacturing status indicating system according to claim 1, wherein said server is provided with authorization function to recognize an authorization key, and, when access is made from the browser device by using the authorization key, the server generates an information to be offered to a browser device as a home page based on elements contained in the authorization key.

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- 3. (previously presented) A manufacturing status indicating system according to claim 1, wherein said system comprises a photomask manufacturing status indicating system, for indicating status of one or more photomasks being manufactured for the purchaser to the purchaser's specifications.
  - 4. (canceled)
  - 5. (canceled)